

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

November 6, 2014

Superintendent George Washington Memorial Parkway Turkey Run Park Headquarters 700 George Washington Memorial Parkway McLean, Virginia 22101

Re: Dyke Marsh Wetland Restoration and Long-term Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement, George Washington Memorial Parkway, Fairfax County, Virginia October 2014, CEQ 20140295

Dear Superintendent:

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and the Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR 1500-1508), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the Dyke Marsh Wetland Restoration and Long-term Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). In our March 18, 2014 review letter of the Draft EIS, we rated the environmental impacts of the proposed action as LO (Lack of Objections). Based on our review of the subject document we have no objection to the project.

We recommend that the National Park Service (NPS) continue to work closely with Federal, State, and local stakeholders throughout the implementation of this plan and any adaptive management decisions. In addition, the NPS should coordinate closely with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and EPA on any Clean Water Act Section 404 permit issues that may arise from the proposed impacts to waters of the United States.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Barbara Okorn, principal reviewer, at (215) 814-3330.

Sincerely.

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